## **Huntington Beach Police Department**

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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

Sergeant D. Dereszynski, Traffic Unit

Release Date/Time:September 29th, 2014 at 12:30 AM

Subject: Fatality Traffic Collision

Case Number: 14-014830

## **Details:**

On Sunday, September 28th, at about 8:40 PM, the Huntington Beach Police Department responded to the area of Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) and 8<sup>th</sup> Street regarding a traffic collision involving a motorcycle and a van.

Arriving officers located a 2008 GMC U-Haul van and a white 2012 Yamaha motorcycle in the intersection. The motorcycle had major damage and the rider, a 23 year old male from Huntington Beach, was partially lying underneath the van. Huntington Beach Fire Department paramedics responded to treat the injured rider. He was transported to Hoag Hospital where he was admitted in critical condition. He later succumbed to his injuries at the hospital. His name is being withheld until next of kin can be notified.

The driver of the GMC van, a 59 year old male from Newport Beach, was uninjured as was his female passenger. He remained at the scene and was interviewed by investigating officers before being released.

Based on the preliminary investigation, it appears the Yamaha motorcycle was traveling northbound on PCH when it collided with the GMC which was crossing PCH from 8<sup>th</sup> Street.

The investigation is ongoing and is being conducted by the HBPD Major Incident Reconstruction Team (M.I.R.T). No citations have been issued and no arrests have been made at this time. Investigators would like to speak to anyone who might have seen the events leading up to and including the collision.

Anyone with information about this collision is asked to contact Huntington Beach Police Accident Investigator Robert Barr at 714-536-5666 or Accident Investigator Tai Huynh at 714-536-5670. During non-business hours or on weekends, calls should be directed to 714-960-8825.